AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ An enterprise system for modeling the operation of a

2 business enterprise and its information processing, the system comprising:

3 a first ~~framework~~ architectural portion ~~which includes features of the~~ integrated

4 in a database, the first architectural portion comprising business operations and

5 objectives of the business enterprise;

6 a second ~~framework~~ architectural portion ~~which includes features of the~~

7 integrated in the database, the second architectural portion comprising an information

8 technology processing system which the business uses to conduct its business; and

9 ~~interconnections between the first framework portion related to the business~~

10 ~~operations and objectives related to the business and the second framework portion~~

11 ~~which includes functions of the information processing system of the business,~~ whereby

12 changes to ~~the one portion can be seen as changes in the other portion~~ one of the

13 architectural portions are assessed for impact on the other of the architectural portions

14 prior to implementation.

1 2. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The enterprise system ~~for modeling the operation of a~~

2 ~~business including the elements~~ of Claim 1 ~~wherein the system includes~~ further

3 comprising a function of governance which allows for the objectives of the

4 business to be included in the database and reflected in the ~~model~~ enterprise

5 system.

3.   (Cancelled)

1   4.   (Currently Amended) A ~~A~~ The enterprise system ~~for modeling the operation of a~~

2   ~~business including the elements~~ of Claim ~~3~~ 2, further comprising ~~wherein the~~

3   ~~first and second architecture portions are included in a single database with~~ a

4   navigator ~~provided~~ for using and modifying the ~~architecture~~ architectural

5   portions.

5.   (Cancelled)

1   6.   (Currently Amended) ~~A system for modeling an enterprise and its business and~~

2   ~~IT including the elements~~ The enterprise system for modeling the operation of a

3   business enterprise and its information technology processing of Claim 1

4   wherein the strategic direction, capabilities and principles of the business

5   enterprise are integrated with the ~~business architecture and the IT~~ architecture

6   database.

1   7.   (Currently Amended) A method of modeling the business of an enterprise, the

2   steps of the method comprising:

3   starting with a generic template which applies across industries to a business

4   architecture and its information technology ~~processes~~ architecture;

5   customizing the generic template for the specific industry and the uniqueness of

6   the enterprise; and

7   using changes in the business objectives to reflect changes in the information

8   technology ~~processes~~ <u>architecture</u> and the business architecture.

1   8.   (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ <u>The</u> method ~~including the steps~~ of Claim 7 ~~and~~ further

2   ~~including~~ <u>comprising</u> a front end navigator ~~for providing~~ <u>to</u> access to the

3   business architecture and the information technology architecture.

1   9.   (Currently Amended) A method of coordinating a business architecture for an

2   organization with its information technology architecture to provide a single

3   structure for considering the effects of changes in the organization, the steps of

4   the method comprising:

5   ~~Setting~~ <u>setting</u> forth the direction, the capabilities and the principles of the

6   organization;

7   ~~Organizing~~ <u>organizing</u> the business architecture for the organization including

8   its business information and processes and coupling the processes to the capabilities of

9   the organization<u>, the business architecture stored in a database</u>;

10   ~~Organizing~~ <u>organizing</u> the information technology architecture of the

11   organization including its application software and data <u>in the database</u> and coupling

12   the application software to the processes of the business architecture and to the

13   principles of the organization and coupling the data to the business information,

14   whereby changes to the business architecture flow to the information technology

15   architecture of the organization and changes in the business architecture flow to the

16   information technology architecture of the organization.

1   10.   (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2   the steps of Claim 9 wherein the method further includes the step of providing a

3   front-end navigator to the business architecture and the information technology

4   architecture for ease in accessing information within the architectures.

Claims 11 and 12 (Cancelled).

1   13.   (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2   the steps of Claim 9 wherein the business architecture includes a business

3   structure, organization units, roles and responsibilities and features and

4   functions as well as events which influence the processes.

1   14.   (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2   the steps of Claim 9 wherein the information technology architecture includes

3   reference architectures and current IT environment which influence an

4   enterprise technology framework and the application software.

1   15.   (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2   the steps of Claim 9 wherein the architectures are prepared in a generic format

3   and then the method includes the step of customizing the architectures to apply

4   to a particular instance.

1 16. (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2 the steps of Claim 15 wherein the step of customizing the architectures to a

3 particular instance includes the step of customizing the architectures to apply to

4 a particular industry.

1 17. (Original) A method of coordinating the operation of an organization including

2 the steps of Claim 15 wherein the step of customizing the architectures to a

3 particular instance includes the step of customizing the architectures to apply to

4 a particular organization.

1 18. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 2, further comprising an organization

2 section integrated in the database describing an organization structure of the

3 business enterprise, an organization structure of the information technology

4 processing system, roles and responsibilities of members of the business

5 enterprise, inventory of skills, education and training of members of the

6 business enterprise, and the policies and practices of the business enterprise,

7 and the organization structures.

1 19. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 18, further comprising a business

2 information technology alignment section integrated in the database describing

3 strategies for the business operations and the information technology processing

4 system.

1 20. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 19, further comprising an enterprise

2   section integrated in the database describing capabilities of the business

3   operations and the information technology processing system.

1 21. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 20, further comprising a plans section

2   integrated in the database describing business plans, information technology

3   plans, projects, transitions, and organization and change plans.

1 22. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 21, further comprising a groups section

2   integrated in the database describing at least one user group and how the at

3   least one user group affects the business enterprise.

1 23. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 22, further comprising a products section

2   integrated in the database, the products sections coupled to an architectural

3   building block section.

1 24. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 23, further comprising a standards

2   section integrated in the database, the standards section coupled to the

3   architectural building block section.

1 25. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 24, further comprising a principles section

2   integrated in the database, the principles section coupled to the enterprise

3   section, the architectural building blocks, and the business information

4 technology alignment section describing how each of a plurality of principles

5 applies and is used.

1 26. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 25, further comprising a business section

2   integrated in the database, the business section describing details of the

3   business areas and units, unit plans, business locations, processes and activities

4   and needs.

1 27. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 26, further comprising a reference

2   architecture section integrated in the database describing reference

3   architectures and models business plans.

1 28. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 27, wherein the information technology

2   processing system further comprises application software to process business

3   information.

1 29. (New) The enterprise system of Claim 28, further comprising a delivery

2   environment defined by the application software, data storage systems, data

3   implementation systems to the business locations using products and standards

4   described in the products sections and the standards section, respectively.

1   30.   (New) An enterprise system for modeling the operation of a business enterprise

2   and its information processing, the system comprising:

3   (a)   a first business architecture portion integrated in a database comprising

4   business operations and objectives of the business enterprise;

5   (b)   a second information technology architecture portion integrated in the

6   database comprising an information technology processing system having

7   application software to process business information which the business

8   uses to conduct its business;

9   (c)   a governance function integrated in the database comprising the

10   objectives of the business enterprise system;

11   (d)   a navigator for using and modifying the architecture portions;

12   (e)   a strategic direction, capabilities and principles of the business enterprise

13   are integrated with the database;

14   (f)   an organization section integrated in the database describing an

15   organization structure of the business enterprise, an organization

16   structure of the information technology processing system, roles and

17   responsibilities of members of the business enterprise, inventory of skills,

18   education and training of members of the business enterprise, and the

19   policies and practices of the business enterprise, and the organization

20   structures.

21   (g)   a business information technology alignment section integrated in the

22   database describing strategies for the business operations and the

23   information technology processing system;

24   (h)   an enterprise section integrated in the database describing capabilities of

25   the business operations and the information technology processing

26   system;

27   (i)   a plans section integrated in the database describing business

28   plans, information technology plans, projects, transitions, and

29   organization and change plans;

30   (j)   a groups section integrated in the database describing at least one

31   user group and how the at least one user group affects the business

32   enterprise;

33   (k)   a products section integrated in the database and coupled to an

34   architectural building block section;

35   (l)   a standards section integrated in the database and coupled to the

36   architectural building block section;

37   (m)   a principles section integrated in the database, the principles section

38   coupled to the enterprise section, the architectural building blocks, and

39   the business information technology alignment section describing how

40   each of a plurality of principles applies and is used;

41   (n)   a business section integrated in the database, the business section

42   describing details of the business areas and units, unit plans, business

43   locations, processes and activities and needs;

44   (o)   a reference architecture section integrated in the database describing

45   reference architectures and models business plans; and

46   (p)   a delivery environment defined by the application software, data storage

47   systems, data implementation systems to the business locations using

48   products and standards described in the products sections and the

49   standards section, respectively

50   whereby changes to one of the architecture portions are assessed for impact on

51   the other of the architecture portions prior to implementation.